MORGANITES MOVE THE MAILS—Carrying out the post tradition that the mails must go, these students at Morgan State College were among the 5,000 extra workers hired by the local post office during the Christmas rush. An alert camerman caught Henry Moore, at left, Army veteran of 1506 Division St., as he worked with one of the 35 Army vehicles lent to the Post Office by Second Army Headquarters to keep the mails moving. The second picture shows four Morganites (left to right) John T. Clark Jr., Alfred Chisholm Jr., Joel Newton and Harry S. Evans. With the aid of these students and many other workers, the post office set a new record by canceling 5,087,000 pieces of mail in one day—Dec. 20. At right, Aaron Hughes, Morgan freshman who majors in economics, sorts mail as he makes his rounds. Hughes, who lives at 2358 McCulloh St., is one of the 300 Morgan students who worked with the post office during the Christmas mail rush.

300 Morgan Students Work Part Time at Post Office During Christmas Rush

Average $85 in Wages as Drivers, Clerks, Carriers, and Sorters; Some Bank Earnings

Some 300 Morgan College students averaged $85 in wages by working in the Post Office during the Christmas mailing rush.

Employed as truck drivers, clerks, carriers and sorters, the students were given no time off from their college classes to earn the extra money.

Some Bank Money

Many of the students, after receiving the bulk paycheck on Tuesday, headed for the nearest bank. Others paid off Christmas bills, while still others made plans for New Year parties.

William Harris of 1204 Division St., was seen leaving Calvert Bank Wednesday after depositing the $85 he earned clerking at the Post Office from Dec. 17 through the 23rd.

A New Year's Eve party, sent covers and a field beam for his car were the items which Sylvester Patterson, of 1124 W. Lafayette Avef, listed as recipients of the $32 he earned.

"Pat," as he is known, worked only 28 hours as a clerk during the Dec. 17-23 period.

His pal, Vernon Trent of 1027 Myrtle Ave., invested part of his $87 earnings in a Christmas present—a perfume for his mother, and used the rest for a trip to North Carolina.

Brothers Work

Two brothers, Arthur and Aaron Hughes of 2358 McCulloh St., earned $71 apiece for nine days' work.

They, together with Harris, Trent and Patterson, who are seniors at Morgan, have worked at the Post Office during previous Christmas seasons.

Arthur and Aaron are freshmen, majoring in economics. Aaron had planned to go Christmas shopping with his pay, but when the checks arrived after the holiday, he had to make other plans.

Sign Up Early

Christmas workers at the post office are paid an average of $1.06 an hour and work an average of 44 hours a week.

The part-time employees begin filing application blanks between Oct. 15 and Nov. 15, the deadline. Most of them begin work Dec. 17 and reported daily until Christmas Day, and returned to work on Dec. 26, the final day.

After a brief lecture which gives them the idea of their duties, the prospective workers are sworn in and assigned to various branches and stations.

As the majority have worked during the Christmas rush in previous years, the process of indoctrination is simplified. They work under the supervision of regular employees.

112,000 Telephones Installed in State Since V-J Day

With a record increase of 112,000 telephones in Maryland since V-J Day, the C. and P. Telephone Company has spent approximately $37,800,000 on service improvements and expansion since the end of the war.

A. B. Haneke, vice president, reports that the company is now serving more than 516,000 telephones and that outstanding progress has been made in meeting unprecedented demands for service and improving existing service.

The company employs 8,800 persons, an increase of 2,400 since the war.

Alumni House Begins Fund to Assist Needy

Alumni House Inc., 604 High St., has voted to establish a charity fund to assist the most needy organizations in Newark and surrounding communities, it was announced on Monday.

The group's statement said that Community Hospital and the Home for Aged in Montclair would get first consideration, and other organizations would be aided as the fund grows.

Jurist Suspends $25 Fines, Advises Hubbies to 'Try Again'

In less than five minutes time, two couples, both married 20 years and the parents of six children, aired their strained marital problems in Northwestern police court, Tuesday morning.

In both cases, the husbands were good providers, that is when they were sober, but when they had been drinking all bedlam broke loose. In both cases, the wives simply "wanted him to get out."

Experienced in handling many such cases at Pennsylanvia Ave.'s police court, Magistrate Thomas L. Fitzpatrick felt that a reconciliation could be affected.

Fines Suspended

Advising the couples to go home and try again, the jurist imposed fines of $25 and costs but suspended the penalties pending future reoccurrences.

The couples were the Lester Blakneys of 1320 Harlem Ave., and the William Burroughs of 1901 N. Monroe St.

Col. Munshower Quits State Post

The Maryland State Department of Correction announced this week, the resignation of Col. Elmer F. Munshower, superintendent of the State Reformatory for Males at Breathedsville.

He will be succeeded by Henry R. Raymond, who has been connected with the institution for 16 years and who for the past several years has been acting assistant superintendent.

Colonel Munshower served in both World Wars as a member of the 29th Infantry Division, and headed the State Police Department for two years.

Mr. Raymond, a native of New York, has had a career in social work and in penal institutions. Colonel Munshower's resignation becomes effective on Jan. 31.

MRS. LILLIE JONES

PRINCESS ANNE, Md. — Funeral services for Mrs. Lillie Jones were held here on Dec. 28 at the local church.

7 Fined $175 in Jurist's Vice Drive

Continuing his drive to rid the district of questionable characters and houses of ill repute, Magistrate Thomas L. Fitzpatrick Tuesday fined seven men(?) a total of $175.

The arrested persons, dressed like males, wore male clothing, but their highpitched voices and fancy hair styles raized some question in the mind of the jurist as to their sex.

The arresting officer, John Carroll, said because he had received numerous complaints about a disorderly house at 428 Moore Al. he visited the place on Monday evening to investigate.

Heard Noises Block Away

"When I was one block away, I could hear the loud noise coming from the place, known to the police of this district as a hangout for questionable characters," the officer testified.

Carroll further stated that the house was the hiding place for a murder suspect who was arrested last week after being sought for several months.

Magistrate Cracks Down

"I know your type and I'm determined to run you out of business," declared the magistrate as he levied fines of $25 and costs on each of those brought before him.

The seven were docketed as: Joseph Howard, 39; William Smith, 32; Cornelius Allen, 24 and Marion Burdnell, 30; all of 428 Moore A.; William Fields, 32, of 204 Parrish Al.; William J. Brown, 25, of 815 N. Stricker St.; and William Jordan, 23, of 1814 N. Fremont Ave.

Husband Resents Brutality Charge

Norris Cattrell, 35, 637 Lafayette Ave., apparently believes in degrees of brutality and insists that he is innocent of a charge of being drunk.

Cattrell took this stand while being tried in Northwestern police court Tuesday on the charge of beating his wife.

"Yes, I chased her out in the street and hit her, but I didn't STOMP her," he declared.

Hot Temper, Suspect Says

"When she hit me with a shoe that made me mad and I chased her out into the street in my night clothes," explained the accused.

The wife and mother of two children, Mrs. Christine Cattrell, viewed the assault as unprovoked and pleaded for protection against a repeated attack.

Magistrate Thomas L. Fitzpatrick sided with the allegedly wronged wife and imposed a 30-day suspended sentence on Cattrell.

Okinawa Veteran Ends Army Career

Pvt. James Thomas, son of Herndon Thomas of 1423 E. Eager St., was discharged from the Army at Aberdeen Proving Ground recently after serving more than five years.

He was inducted in April, 1941, and was stationed in this country for three years before participating in the invasion of Okinawa.

He was discharged in Jan. 1946, and received last February, and was assigned to Aberdeen until his final separation. He was awarded five ribbons of honor and 2 bronze stars.

5 Baltimoreans Finish Course in Embalming

Five Baltimoreans were among the 75 graduates of the American Academy of Embalming and Sanitary Research of New York last week.

Those who completed the 9 months course were Howard Contee, Herbert Sauvers, Albert W. Johnson, Clarence McNeil and William Fletcher.

Despite Vandals Yule Party Held

Despite the fact that vandals broke in and destroyed Christmas tree decorations, parents of School No. 127, repaired the damages the next day on Dec. 17 and carried out plans for a bene fit Christmas Tea.

According to Mrs. Lena K. Lee, principal, the affair was attended by some 600 persons. Mesdames Hilda Day and May Beasley were co-chairmen, while Mr. and Mrs. Walter Day Sr., provided caterer service.

Walter Day Jr. showed moving pictures and musical transcriptions were arranged through the courtesy of Lee's Sound Service.

Proceeds will be used to purchase library books and visual aid materials for the school.

BISHOP RAPS RACE BIAS

PORTLAND, Ore. (ANP) — In a Christmas message before the local chamber of commerce members' forum here last week, Bishop Benjamin D. Dagwell of the Oregon Episcopal diocese launched a verbal attack against hotel and restaurant owners who practice discrimination.

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Will Methodist Church Integrate All Jurisdictions?

Issue Certain to Arise at General Conference

Split on Racial Lines to Appease South Held Temporary Expedient by Baltimorean

The most widely discussed topic in the Methodist Church today is whether or not the Central Jurisdiction should be continued, a question certain to be considered when the General Conference meets in Boston next April.

In 1939, the three major branches of Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Church South, and the Methodist Protestant Church united to form one organization, the Methodist Church.

The jurisdictional system was the basis of union.

6th Jurisdiction Racial

Today, the Methodist Church is composed of six jurisdictions. Five are based on geographical areas, but the sixth, the Central Jurisdiction, is composed of 19 annual conferences made up of colored churches only.

Many of the delegates to the meeting at which the Methodist Church was made obvious segregation, but the arrangement was adopted nevertheless as a concession to the Methodist Church South.

Now the question arises as to whether this arrangement should be continued.

Setup Termed "Temporary"

Disagreeing with the principle of the segregated church, but believing that it should be maintained for a while longer, the Rev. Joshua O. Williams, pastor of Sharp St. Church, Baltimore, explained stand in a recent article in the Central Christian Advocate, the official publication of the jurisdiction.

He fears that if the jurisdictional plan is abandoned now, and its functions carried back to the General Conference, the colored group would be further dealt with on a racial rather than Christian level.

Stating what is believed to be the position of the colored constituency of Methodism, the Rev. Mr. Williams quotes from an address by Bishop A. P. Shaw at the Central Jurisdictional Conference of 1944.

In it, the Bishop pointed out that the jurisdictional system was considered "a temporary administrative arrangement" only.

Expediency Advocated

Bishop Shaw had said "We are not at all in harmony with any Methodists or others who think such a plan necessary in a truly Christian brotherhood, adding:

"We consider it expedient only on account of the Christian childhood of some American Methodists who need a little coddling until they can grow into full manhood in Christ Jesus.

"We are hopeful that in the near future our Methodism may become sufficiently Christian in character and naturity to find a more excellent way."

To this, the Rev. Mr. Williams adds:

"We were told and some of us told ourselves that the jurisdictional arrangement would provide a glorious opportunity to develop indigenous leadership among our race in the church.

"We were not, however, misled by what on the surface appeared to be sufficient grounds for accepting such an arrangement.

"To separate the colored section of the church into any arrangement based on color is not right in the light of Christian conscience in any year of our Lord.

"Regardless of its advantages in developing leadership or any other lesser gains, nothing should remove the fact from our thinking that the Central Jurisdiction is a temporary administrative arrangement.

"Whenever the church is willing to choose individual on racial gain above the way of the Master and Lord, it loses its soul," he declares.

Tragedy of America

Pointing out that the tragedy of America is its pattern of segregation, based on racial or cultural backgrounds, the minister cites such evidences as restrictive covenants, separate schools, discrimination in entertainment, store service, transportation and employment.

"In Baltimore," he points out, "where Methodism in America was born and where she boasts a strength second to none among American churches, and in spite of ordinations of discrimination in which the church is strangely silent.

"Following in the pattern of separation, she upholds the status quo by precept and example," he points out.

"In our melting pot of races and cultures, there lies at its heart the tragedy — that there must be a white church and a colored church, as if there were a white God and a colored God," he laments.

Church Not Ready

Maintaining that Methodism needs "further coddling," the minister holds that the church is not yet ready to abandon the jurisdictional plan and operate through the General Conference.

"Should that occur," he says, "the colored part of Methodism would be a hopeless minority, and leadership for this part of our church would be determined for us by this overwhelming majority."

It would be determined, he declared, "not always on the basis of fitness, but how safe such leadership would be and how well it would fit into our American pattern.

Democracy Must Be Proved

"We are not ready to believe the policy of separation which characterizes our pattern will be abolished in the General Conference until churches on the local level are willing to admit members and accept pastors without regard to color," he points out.

The Rev. Mr. Williams feels that another criterion as to the time when the pattern may be abolished will come when areas "are willing to accept bishops without regard to color.

"When the General Conference shows by exchanging Yuletide gifts in keeping with the spirit of the season. Left to right are: Russell Hite, Wilma Wilson, Frederick Williams and Vera Carrington. Miss Estelle Johnson is student practice teacher of the class.

HAPPY EXCHANGE—The 4 A-1 pupils of Coppin Demonstration School No. 132 are

REV. JOSHUA O. WILLIAMS

is ready to deal with its colored constituency as Christians, we are then ready to abolish the Central Jurisdiction and give the General Conference its functions," the minister says.

2 Greet New Year in Crownsville

Two elderly Northwest Baltimore residents greeted the New Year in the Crownsville State Sanatorium where they were committed Tuesday following mental examinations by a city psychiatrist.

One of the patients was a 59-year-old man who was taken into custody after he began firing a double-barrel shotgun out of a bedroom window in his home.

His reason — "A gang of men were after me with guns and I just beat them to the drop."

Religious Fanatic

The second patient was another elderly man who was brought into the station house strapped on a stretcher.

He had suddenly become a religious fanatic and the members of his family felt that a short rest in a mental institution would help him.

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OVERCOMING HANDICAP:

Deaf Girl, 15, Makes Bigradeat Philly School

Fifteen-year-old Dolores Logins, one of the colored dead children for whom Baltimore provides no secondary education, returned home last week from a school in Philadelphia bearing a report card with no mark under B.

Enrolled since September in the interracial William and Elizabeth Martin School, Dolores was given an entrance examination which placed her in the ninth grade, despite the fact that her formal schooling here stopped at the sixth grade level.

6th Limit at Wood

This is the grade limit offered at the Wood School for the Handicapped where she repeated sixth grade work for several years.

Dolores is happy. She is learning, among other things, speech, the lack of which was one of her major handicaps. This development is reflected in the clear, coherent sentenced letters she writes home.

With the use of a hearing aid, she is able to enjoy radio programs, the movies, and discuss them wit hthe many friends who visited her during the holidays.

Many of these friends were Wood School classmates who marveled at the improvement Dolores has made. She will return to Jan. 5.

Commercial Courses Offered

Next year, the girl will be transferred to another Philadelphia school to begin the type of commercial courses that are offered only to white pupils here in her home town.

No little credit is due to Mrs. Sarah Loggins, Deleres' mother who persisted in the face of refusals, excuses and rebuffs from school officials, to seek further schooling for her daughter and others with similar handicaps.

Give Financial Aid

With the financial aid of a neighborhood club in the 1900 block of Druid Hill Ave., headed by Mrs. George Pendleton, Ames and Emanuel Christian Churches, Mrs. Loggins was able to place her daughter in the Martin School.

As PTA president of the Wood School, she is determined to work for an extension of the educational work for colored deaf children whom officials say, "must take their chances in ther regula classes" after the sixth grade.

Lock Haven, Howard U. Schedule Swim Meet

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Here's what we can do

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This last is no easy job. The downtown streets are glutted with traffic. Cars and buses are dispatched at regular intervals but street congestion soon knocks the schedules out.

We've got to try to keep street cars and buses running regularly. There are enough of them in service every day to carry everybody easily. It's the irregularity that wrecks the applecart. It's the traffic jams that wreck regularity. Even the best railroad trains couldn't keep on schedule if they had to travel uptown and downtown in the evening rush hour.

Here's how you can help

If a bus or car stops and it's fairly crowded, wait for the next one.

Keep moving to the rear if there's room.

Save time at stops by having transfer or two-trip slip unfolded, or your exact fare ready.

If you drive an automobile—

Try not to park on a street with a bus or car line on it.

Curb parking cuts street width in half, forces all traffic into the street car or bus lanes.

Don't park in a bus stop at a red curb.

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